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" Arther Alston, Warrenton, N. C.
" J. Blacknell, Ridgeway, N. C.
" Nehemiah Mayo, Williamsboro, N. C.
" Nathan Parham, Williamsboro, N. C.
" Stephen Burwell, Williamsboro, N. C.
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" H. C. Rogers, Oxford, N. C.
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" W. A. Pattillo, Sassafrass Fork, N. C.
" George Harvey, Manson, N. C.
" Standly Paschall, Manson, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, August 11, 1875.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, with the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, in Warren County, N. C., in its Fourth Annual Meeting, the Moderator Rev. Isaac Alston, in the Chair. The Moderator made a brief statement concerning the object of the Association, also, addressing thanks to the Great Creator of our being, for having preserved our lives through the past year, and bringing us together again, that we may honor the cause of Christ. After reading the 1st Psalm and singing hymn 413, "Jesus lover of my soul, &c.; Prayer was offered by W. A. Pattillo. The Moderator then announced the house ready for business.

On motion of W. A. Pattillo, the former Constitution and By-Laws were read and adopted as our standard during this session and the insuing year. On motion of Bro. W. F. Thornton, a Committee on Order of Business was appointed consisting of five, namely: brethren, A. Wyche, W. A. Pattillo, Henry Green, Wm. Williams, and Wm. Davis.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSSINESS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that we shall open our meetings by

1st. Reading the Constitution.
2nd. Rules of Order.
3rd. Enrolling the names of Delegates.
4th. Election of Officers.
5th. Appointment of Committees.
6th Report of Committees.
7th. Miscellaneous Business.

ARRANGMENTS.

We also report the following arrangments for devotional exercises during the Association, after the introductory sermon by Rev. Isaac Alston and Rev. Madison Harvey, alternate, at 8 o'clock P. M., the following brethren are appointed the 2nd day: Rev. John O. Crosby, preach at 11 o'clock A. M., Rev. Oscar Bell, alternate. Rev. E. W. Bradsher at 3 o'clock P. M., Rev. James A. Hunt, alternate. Rev. Oscar Bullock, at 8

o'clock, P. M., M. R. Ross, alternate. 3rd day morning service, Rev W. D. Reavis, at 11 o'clock, A. M., Rev. James Blackwell, alternate. Rev. Nehemiah Mayo, at 3 o'clock P. M , Rev. Cyrus Milum, alternate Rev. W. A. Pattillo, at 8 o'clock, P. M., Rev. H. C Rogers, alternate. 4th day service. Rev. James A. Hunt, at 11 o'clock, A. M., Rev. W. D. Reavis, at 3 o'clock, P. M. As the Association may adjourn Friday night, we leave space for any visiting Minister who may feel disposed to participate during Saturday and Sunday following.

On motion of A Wyche, a Committee on credentials were appointed. On motion the list of Delegates was called, each Delegate answering to his name, and ordered by the Moderator to report to the Committee on credentials

On motion of M. F. Thornton, a Committee of five were appointed on Finance. On motion of Rev. J O. Crosby, the Committee on Credentials and Finance remained during the Association. On motion of Rev. John O. Crosby, a Committee of five were appointed on Education. On motion of Rev. J. O. Crosby, a Committee, consisting of one Delegate from each Church were appointed on Temperance. On motion of Bro. M. F. Thornton, a Committee of five were appointed on Statistics. On motion of Bro. M. F Thornton, a Committee of five were appointed on Sunday Schools. On motion of Rev. J. O. Crosby, a Committee on Ministerial character, be appointed, but as the members of the Association desired a Ministerial Board, it was postponed. On motion of J. O. Crosby, the Missionaries were requested to make a verbal and pointed statement of their labors during the passed year; on which, Rev. W. D. Reavis, rose and said: Dear Brethern, I thank my Master that I am able to meet you once more in a Christian Association, and give an account of my labor in the vineyard of the Lord. I have visited several Churches in Granville, also, in adjoining counties and found some of them in a prosperous condition, while some others did not appear so prosperous, though the spirit seemed to be with them I have also, organized two new Churches, one of which is in charge of Bro. J. A. Hunt, known as Huntsville; another called Big Ruin Creek, which I attend myself. Furthermore I am prepared to furnish a statistical record of my labors in the vineyard of the Lord during the past year. 2nd. Rev. James A Hunt, detained the audiance a short time, with some very heartfelt remarks concerning the religious situation in which he found many of the Assemblies in the part he visited, stating that he collected twenty or thirty dollars, and traveled on an average, each month, to and from the Churches under his

charge, a hundred and twenty-five miles on foot. These remarks had a very sympathetic affect on the members of the Association and gave them an occasion to believe that he oftimes was obliged to feel foot-sore and weary with his Pilgrimage. Bro. Hunt is a faithful soldier of the cross, and one of the most able revivalists among the Ministers of the Association. The Lord has seen fit to take his companion and leave to him a widowed mother with his two children to sustain, in connection with his religious duties. Rev. Oscar Bullock, also, said that he had labored faithfully, and at times had been successful in giving satisfaction that he had discharged the duties conferred on him. He said he had collected some money, but was not able to say precisely, though thought it about thirty dollars. Furthermore that he would give an accurate account of it before the Association adjourned. Bro. Bullock has organized one or two Churches, and they are in a very prosperous condition. He is still laboring faithfully for the cause of Christ. After hearing from the above named: On motion of John O. Crosby, the Association adjourned till 9 o'clock, A. M.

At 8 o'clock, P. M., the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. Isaac Alston, from the 22 Chapter of Luke, 24th verse, Hymn, "How happy is every child of grace, &c.," assisted by Rev. M. Harvey. The house was crowded with hearers, while a large number occupied the door and windows who could not obtain seats.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY August 12, 1875.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, Moderator in the chair, after reading 139 Psalm, and singing hymn 191, "Behold what wouderous grace &c.," Prayer was offered by Rev. O. Bullock. The Moderator then announced the house ready for business.

On motion of Bro. Enoch Arrington, the proceedings of the first day, evening session were read and adapted with necessary corrections. On motion of Bro. H. Hester, Bro. M. F. Thornton was appointed assistant Sec. *Pro. Tem.* On motion of Bro. H. B. Eaton, the Committe on reception of church letters was requested to report immediately.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH LETTERS.

We, your Committe, beg leave to report that we have examined the letters of the twenty-four churches, composing this Asso-

ciation and found them of the same faith and order, and in full fellowship with the regular Baptist rules whatever, also giving other necessary information concerning the progress of the churches, which will be fully stated by the Committe on statistics.

COMMITTEE. { H. B. EATON, E. W. BRADSHER, HAYWOOD DURHAM, THOMAS DURHAM, HENRY HESTER.

On motion the report was received, after which a short time was given to the members, to express their views on certain subjects, then for consideration before the Association. These exercises continued till thirty minutes after ten, when the Association adjourned, on motion of Bro. E. Arrington to give place for preaching.

At 11 o'clock, A. M. the audiance assembled to hear the address of Rev. J. O. Crosby, assisted by Rev. O. Bell, the following were selected. They sang; "Oh for a closer walk with God &c.," read 21st chapter of Numbers and apart of the 14th chapter of 21st Cor: Prayer was offered by Rev. O Bell. The audiance sang a few verses of hymn, "Show pity Lord &c," Text 3d chapter St. John, 4th ver. closed with prayer by Bro. Wm. Williams of Warrenton, and singing, "How firm a foundation &c.," dismissed.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Moderator Rev. J. Alston in the chair. Read 14th chapter of St. John, sang hymn 543, "Amazing grace &c" and prayer was offered by Bro. Buck Alston. The Moderator announced the house ready for business.

On motion of Bro. H. Hester, the proceedings of the morning session were read. On motion of Bro. M. R. Ross were received. The Committee to conduct visiting brethren to their situations during the Association, requested if there be any brethren, who have not been provided for, they will please make it known immediately.

On motion of H. C. Rogers, the Treasurer was ordered to report for the benefit of the present financial Committee..

On motion of Bro. H. Hester, the delegate to the last State Baptist Convention, was requested to give an account before the Association of the money, which he drew, expense &c.

On motion the Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of the new churches,

On motion of Bro. Albert Wyche, the Secretary, was ordered to make an estimate of the indebtedness of the Association and report it as information for the members, which was found to be only three dollars and fifty cents for the year 1874. As it was found necessary to have preaching at a regular hour, Bro. M. F. T. moved that the Moderator appoint the different Committees necessary for the Association to report at an acceptable period. Adopted.

The audiance was then notified that preaching would take place under the arbor, and as Bro. E. W. Bradsher and J. A. Hunt resigned, the 3 o'clock service, it would be conducted by W. D. Reavis and J. Blackwell. While preaching was going on with a large and attentive audiance under the arbor, a portion of the delegates with the Moderator remained in the house, discussing the subject as to the best method of conducting the Association &c., until the usual hour arrived, when On motion of Bro. H. Hester, they adjourned until Friday morniug 9 o'clock; singing hymn 231, "Behold the Saviour of mankind, nailed to the shameful tree &c.," Prayer by Bro. Nehemiah Mayo.

8 O'CLOCK SERVICES

At 8 o'clock Thursday night, Rev. J. A. Hunt and M. R, Ross, conducted the service with a crowded house of attentive hearers.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, August 13, 1875.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, Moderator in the chair. After reading 121 Psalm, and singing hymn 626, "Oh for a closer walk with God &c.," Prayer was offered by Rev. W. D. Reavis The Moderator then announced the house ready for business. On motion of H. B. Eaton, the proceedings of the second day were read. On motion of Bro. H. Hester, they were received with necessary corrections On motion of Rev. W. A Pattillo, the report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools was heard. On motion of Bro. H. Hester, the Moderator, selected the members of the ministerial board, after which a few moments were spent listening to Bro's. A. Wyche, H. Hester and others speaking of the time when and the places where this board should hold its regular sessions. On motion of Rev. J. O. Crosby the Committee in regard to resolution on State Baptist Convention was omitted. On motion of Rev. J. O. Crosby, the name of J. A. Hunt was stricten from the list of Missionaries. On motion,

only two Missionaries wers appointed, namely, Rev. W. D. Reavis, Rev. Oscar Bullock.

On motion of Isaiah Bridges, the name of Rev. Jefferson Burwell was ordered to be stricten from the Minutes of this Association, but as we know, that it is contiary to the wishes of the church, it will appear, as heretofore. On motion of Bro. H. Hester, the name of the Moderator was added to the list on the Ministerial board. On motion of Bro. L. H. Johnson, the Committee on Temperance was ordered to report as early as possible.

On motion, the reports of Committee and resolutions be strictly recorded. On motion of Bro. M. F. Thornton, adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M. sang hymn 721, "Am I a soldier of the Cross &c.," Prayer by Bro. Henry Green, preaching to take place at 3 o'ctock P. M., conducted by Bro's. N. Mayo, and C. Milum, under the arbor.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, Moderator in the chair, read 10th chapter of St. John, sang hymn 219, "Come holy spirit heavenly dove &c.," Prayer by Bro. George Vanlandingham. The Moderator announced the house ready for business.

On motion of Bro. H. B. Eaton, the proceedings of fore-noon were read and received with necessary corrections. Bro. M. F. Thornton, then rose, made a few brief remarks, and offered a resolution, tendering thanks to the members and neighbors of the Mt. Pleasant Church for the kindness shown the Association.

On motion of H. B. Eaton received. On motion of H. Hester, H. C. Rogers received three dollars and fifty cents, on an order of 1874. On motion of H. Hester, the Missionaries were requested to read their written reports, which were similar to their statements heretofore. Rev. J. O. Crosby, then moved, that Rev. J. A. Hunt should have one dollar from each church of the Association, which did not pay more than three dollars to the Treasury, in 1874. This caused a debate, which lasted an hour or more and finally lost at last. On motion of A. Wyche, the delegates to the Baptist State Convention were selected. As it was thought necessary to seud only one: Rev. J. O. Crosby put in nomination Rev. M. R. Ross, who has the honor of being the only delegate sent by the Shiloh Association. On motion the Treasurer reported. On motion the delegate to the Baptist State Convention reported. On motion, the Missionaries reported. On motion, the Committee on Sabbath Schools reported. On motion, the Committee on common School Education reported.

On motion, the Committee on Temperance reported. On motion, the Committee on Statictics reported. On motion, the Committee on finance reported. On motion, the Committee on Credentials reported. On motion, the Committee on Time and Place reported.

The business transaction now closed and the members gave the Moderator thanks of honor for the noble manner in which he had conducted the business during this Association. The Moderator rose from his seat and called the attention of the brethren to notice how carefully God had preserved our lives in the past and how we should look to him for the same in the future. He closed his remarks by saying, that the Association would meet with the Baptist Church in Henderson, Granville County, N. C., on Wednesday before the Third Sunday in August, 1876, the Lord being willing. On motion of Rev. J. O. Crosby, adjourned. Sang 627 Hymn, "Shall we go on to sin, &c." Prayer by Bro. Granderson Young of Oxford, N. C

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that we believe the Sunday School to be an indispensible auxiliary to the enlightenment of the children of our land, and to the elevation of Christian Society. Furthermore, we believe the Sunday School, is the future dependence of the Church for those who are so much needed to conduct the affairs of religion aright. We are sorry to know that a few members among the many of our Churches, suffer their minds to be misled by their ideas of fogyism, but the vigorous efforts made by the Sunday School heroes, animate us with new delight; we are not left entirely in despair. We hope the Churches of this Association will each organize Sunday Schools that will be as a light to the pathway of the youths, and, whose echoing melody will call the wandering Sabbath-braker from the fields of ruinous romance. We recommend to all the Churches of this Association the necessity of Sunday Schools, and that they are nurseries from which the fruit-bearing ones are to be selected: Therefore we commend to all the Deacons of the Churches to keep up regular Sunday Schools in their churches and urge this matter.

COMMITTEE. { B. THORNTON,
HENRY PENNINGTON,
ORANGE WILLIAMS,
HUMPHREY GREEN.

RESOLUTION.

We know that few children of our race ever have an opportunity to sit and listen to the preaching of the Gospel. Therefore be it resolved: That each pastor belonging to this Association, shall preach from his pulpit, the great necessity of a Sunday School being connected with the Church.

2nd. That they shall not only visit the Sunday School, but shall make it his home during the hours of its session, and act as chief superintendent.

J. C. WYCHE.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report, that we are pained to find that the use of spirituous liquors, is very common among christians of the present age, but are glad to find that the Churches of this Association have had no trouble on account of their use since our last session, but commend the following resolutions:

1st. That each Church should observe strictly the rule of councelling its members against the use of intoxicating liquors.

2nd. That no member shall be allowed to use spirituous liquors, but in a case of absolute necessity.

3rd. If any member of these Churches be caught or seen going into a whiskey saloon and drinking spirituous liquors, shall be severally ruled according to the Church laws, and if still continue to do so, excommunicated without hesitation.

4th. That we do positively believe that the quality is of more value to any church of true christian faith, than the quantity.

COMMITTEE. W. D. REAVIS, with consent of the twenty-four members, one from each Church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

We, your Committee beg leave to report, that we have carefully examined the credentials of the Ministers, delegates of this Association, and find them correct and well representing the condition of the Churches, &c. As the Association has determined to institute a Ministerial Board, we readily agree with it, and have selected the following named brethren, and places for the regular meeting of the Board. This board shall met quarterly:

1st. At Oxford, Wednesday before the third Sunday in November, 1875.

2nd. At Williamsboro, Wednesday before the third Sunday in February 1876.

3rd. At Warrenton, Wednesday before the third Sunday in May, 1876.

4th. At Henderson, Wednesday before the third Sunday in August, 1876

Members of the Board —Revs. Oscar Bullock, John O. Crosby, M. R. Ross, Oscar Bell, M. Harvey, J. A. Hunt, Henry C. Rogers, Isaac Alston

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report, that we have received the amount herein inscribed, from the following named Churches:

1.	Antioch Church	paid	$ 3 00
2.	Big Ruin Creek Church	"	3 00
3.	Brookston Church	"	3 00
4.	Blue Wing Church	"	3 00
5.	Coley Spring Church	"	3 00
6.	Flat Creek Church	"	3 00
7.	Greenwood Church	"	3 00
8.	Henderson Church	"	3 00
9.	Huntsville Church	"	3 00
10.	Jones Chapel Church	"	3 00
11.	Michael's Creek Church	"	3 00
12.	Mitchell's Chapel Church	"	3 00
13.	Manson Church	"	3 00
14.	Mount Pleasant Church	"	3 00
15.	New Johnson Creek Church	"	3 00
16.	Oxford Church	"	3 00
17.	Piney Grove Church	"	3 00
18.	Roanoke Chapel Church	"	3 00
19.	Spring Green Church	"	3 00
20.	Swift Creek Church	"	3 00
21.	Warrenton Church	"	3 00
22.	Whitaker's Church	"	3 00
23	Synama Church	"	3 00
24.	Woodworth Church	"	3 00
	Total.		$72 00

Committee: H. B. EATON, HAYWOOD DURHAM, E. W. BRADSHER, THOMAS DURHAM, HENRY HESTER.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1874.

Expense to and from the Convention	$13 40
Representation in the Convention	16 00
For Printing Minutes.	25 00
Preparing Minutes for the Press	2 50
Postage on distribution of Minutes	1 00
Total expense for 1874	$57 90
Remaining in the Treasury	00 00
Financial condition for 1875	$72 00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Whereas, Education is the handmaid of Religion in the great work of receiving immortal souls from the thraldom of sin, since a knowledge of the word of God is necessary to a full understanding of its teachings, and when the clouds of ignorance are lifted, the light of the Gospel doth more abundantly shine, while those who are under their dark shadow, are the victims of error, superstition and vice. The meeting house and the school house, are the landmarks of civilization, and side by side stand forth upon the hill tops and in the valleys as tokens of God's blessing upon a happy and prosperous people; AND WHEREAS, Many who have not fitted themselves for the positions to which they aspire, are seeking to occupy places of influence and to establish themselves as leaders of the people, it becomes the duty of this Association to warn the people against allowing ignorant and designing men to instill their errors into the minds of the rising generation, AND WHEREAS, The cause of education does not receive that attention in our State which it deserves; its progress being impeded wilfully by some, and ignorantly by many, therefore be it,

Resolved, 1*st*, That it is the duty of every christian, and especially of every minister of the Gospel of Christ, to labor in season and out of season for the establishment of schools for the education of our youth, and to see that the provisions of our school laws be enforced in every Township and School District within reach of this Association, that no teacher be intrusted with the instruction of our children who have not prepared himself for the important duties of an educator.

Resolved, 2*nd*, That we heartily renew our pledge of co-operation with the American Baptist Home Missionary Society in their efforts to establish first class Colleges for the education of ministers and teachers of our race.

Resolved, 3*rd*, That we recognize the Shaw University as a

college which has taken the highest position in this great work, that we have learned with proud and thankful hearts of its rapid growth, its unparalleled success and great promise of increased facilities for future usefulness; we rejoice to know that its pupils are eagerly sought after as teachers, and are winning, by their energy and fidelity to duty, many amaranthine laurels which reflect great honor upon them and the cause which they seek to promote.

Resolved, 4*th*, That we believe it to be the duty of our brethren, and recommend that each church represented in this Association, make an earnest and prayerful effort to support one or more of its worthy young men in this University during the regular course of study, that they may be pre eminently qualified to go forth equipped and adorned for labor in the Master's vineyard.

Resolved, 5*th*, That we call the attention of our churches also to the establishment of a Female Department in this University, where our daughters may vie with our sons in fitting themselves for lives of usefulness.

Resolved, 6*th*, That the pastors of our churches be requested to hold educational meetings at least once every three months, and talk to, and if possible to interest their people to prayerful work in the cause of education, and to make reports of such meetings to the Corresponding Secretary of this Association, who shall report the same to your committee at our next annual session.

Resolved 7*th*, That each minister of this Association be requested to read this preamble and these resolutions, to his church or churches and to offer earnest prayers that this seed thus sown broad cast over our land, may bring forth much fruit to the honor and glory of God.

COMMITTEE. { J. O. CROSBY, CH'M. / ENOCH ARRINGTON, / EDWARD DAWTINS, / M. R. ROSS, / WM. ALSTON.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That we the Delegates from the various churches of the Shiloh Association, do protest against much of the proceedings of the Baptist State Convention.

Resolved, That we regard the extra session of the Convention which assembled in Goldsboro, in May 1874, as wholly uncalled for, and that its meeting was the result of a change of the time

and place of the meeting of the State Convention, which owing to the shortness of the notification of such change, prevented the churches from being fairly represented.

Resolved, That the failure to publish the Minutes of the State Convention which met in Newberne in 1873, was productive of great evil to our denomination throughout the State.

RULES OF ORDER.

Art. 1st. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Art. 2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at the same time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the word Brother.

Art. 3rd. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he has done, unless he is out of order.

Art. 4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and shall in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before him, but shall fairly state the case, so as to convey his ideas.

Art. 5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

Art. 6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

Art. 7th No person sball be at liberty to whisper during the time a brother is speaking.

Art. 8th. The Moderator shall not interupt any member or prohibit his speaking until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this Association

Art. 9th. This Associaton shall not ordain any minister that cannot read and write.

Art. 10th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Secretary, and called over as often as the Association may require it.

Art. 11th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to vote, but not entitled to vote unless in case of a tie.

Art. 12th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body, as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This Association shall be known as the Shiloh Missionary Baptists Association of North Carolina and shall have

a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, who shall be chosen by this Association.

Art. II. This Association shall be composed of the Pastors and Delegates sent from different churches, who shall be entitled to seats in this Association.

Art. III. Letters received by this Association from different churches shall express the total number of members in fellowship, those Baptised, those received by letters, dismissed by letters and those excommunicated and deceased since the last Association.

Art. IV. Other churches may be received in this Association who shall petition by letters or delegate, and upon examination, if found in order, it shall be the duty of the Moderator to give the right hand of fellowship to the delegates and welcome the churches in this Association.

Art. V. Every church in this Association shall be entitled to representation in this Association, but shall not send more than three delegates from each church.

Art. VI. Every motion made in order and seconded, shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

Art. VII. This Association shall furnish the churches with minutes of the Association. The best method of furnishing minutes shall be left to the Association.

Art. VIII. We believe it is necessary to have an Association fund to pay the expenses of the Association, and we deem it necessary to pay $3.00 to defray the expenses of the Association and send it by delegates or letters to the Association.

Art. IX. The minutes of the Association shall be read as often as requested and corrected if necessary. The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings represent themselves at the Association.

Art. X. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the Association which may violate the rules of this body on the principles of religion.

Art. XI. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any further time or place as they may think most convenient to the church.

Art. XII. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority see proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	PASTORS.
Antioch	Humphrey Green, Harry Parham...	J. A. Hunt
Big Ruin Creek	W. D. Reavis, Alfred Gooch.	W. D. Reavis
Brookston	Lewis Allen, T. Henderson, L. Hawkins.	O. Bullock.
Blue Wing Grove	Nathan Yancey, Seth Royster,	J. A. Hunt
Coley Springs	Wm. Davis, Buck Alston, Oscar Alston,	I. Alston.
Flat Creek	A. Wyche, H. B. Eaton,	M. Harvey.
Greenwood	Henry Green, Woodley Cooke,	Henry West.
Henderson	Americus Bridges, Isaiah Bridges,	J. Burwell.
Huntsville	Robert Hunt, Syrus Smith,	J. A. Hunt.
Jones' Chapel	M. Jones, Hay'd Durham, T. Durham.	J. Blacknell.
Michael's Creek	Jacob Morton, W. A. Pattillo	E. W Bradsher
Mitchell's Chapel	S. Fogg, E. H. Fogg, J. A. Hawkins.	Henry West..
Manson	George Vanlandingham, Alex. Plummer.	I. Alston
Mount Pleasant	Wesley Henderson, James Bullock	O. Bullock.
New Johnson Creek	J. A. Hunt, Samuel Pointer	J. A. Hunt.
Oxford	G. Young, H. Hester, Enoch Arrington.	Oscar Bell
Piney Grove	Syrus Milam.	M. R. Ross.
Roanoke Chapel	Henry Johnson.	M. R. Ross.
Spring Green	Edward Dowtin, Wm. Alston.	I. Alston.
Swift Creek	Oscar Bell.	O. Bell.
Warrenton	J O Crosby, W. Williams, M F Thornton.	J. O. Crosby.
Whitaker's	O. Bell, Joseph Barefield, Jack Bell.	O. Bell.
Synama Chapel	W. D. Reavis, Edward Mitchell.	W. D. Reavis
Woodsworth	Allen Hawkins, B. T. Hargrove.	M. Harvey. / B. Dixon.

From Aug. 12th, 1874, to Aug. 11th, 1875.

C CLERKS.	CLERKS' P. O.	CHURCH DAYS.	Baptisms.	Rec'd by letter.	Dismiss'd by let.	Expelled.	Restored.	Deceased.	Total mem'ship.	Amount Paid.	No. S. Schools.
J. A. Howell	Oxford	1st Sunday	6	2	0	0	1	0	44	3.00	30
M. Satterwhite	Henderson	4th Sunday	lately organized					0	23	3.00	51
T. Henderson.	Brookston	2nd Sunday	28	3	0	18	4	2	139	3.00	45
Horace Elam.	Buchanan.	4th Sunday	lately organized					00	15	3.00	20
Oscar Powell.	Warrenton	3rd Sunday	65	2	7	3	0	6	351	3.00	116
H. B. Eaton.	Williamsboro	1st Sunday	14	1	2	7	6	3	193	3.00	90
Albert Spruill.	Warrenton.	4th Sunday	40	2	0	2	0	3	80	3.00	30
Aug. Green	Henderson	2nd Sunday	19	0	0	3	0	2	300	3.00	110
John Young.	Oxford	2nd Sunday	8	8	0	0	0	0	22	3.00	40
Sidney Davis.	Warrenton	1st Sunday	lately organized					0	4	3.00	00
W. A. Pattillo.	Sassafrass Fork	2nd Sunday	21	2	0	5	5	1	201	3.00	75
E. H. Fogg.	Louisburg	2nd Sunday	50	1	1	0	0	2	156	3.00	40
W. H. Davis	Manson	2nd Sunday	50	1	4	4	3	2	187	3.00	61
J. Martin	Manson	1st Sunday	30	5	1	2	2	1	216	3.00	50
Doctor Peace	Young's X Roads	3rd Sunday	lately organized					0	31	3.00	98
Henry Hester	Oxford	1st & 2nd Sundays	16	6	0	6	10	4	201	3.00	128
R. A. Wright	Macon	3rd Sunday	40	20	4	3	3	0	150	3.00	85
Alex. Wright	Littleton	4th Sunday	50	0	0	2	2	1	167	3.00	40
J. H. Alston	Warrenton.	4th Sunday	28	1	0	2	2	6	220	3.00	95
H. Taylor	Battleboro	4th Sunday	2	11	0	0	0	0	16	3.00	40
A. A. Owen Jr	Warrenton	Every Sunday	18	2	3	8	2	1	219	3.00	162
H. Taylor	Battleboro	3rd Sunday	88	3	0	3	0	0	114	3.00	48
J. H. Chavis	Wilton	3rd Sunday	9	0	0	2	1	2	30	3.00	59
E. T. Kearsey	Woodsworth	2nd Sunday	2	0	0	0	0	0	44	3.00	30
		Total Number	539	70	22	70	41	36	3022	$72	1533.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Many of the churches of our Association are greatly troubled with illiterate members, who claim to be called to preach the gospel, and whereas, They do not come up to the gospel rules laid down in the third Chapter of Paul's first Epistle to Timothy, it becomes this Association to set the seal of disapprobation upon such characters as go about to establish their own glory, and to create schism and discord in our Churches, therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend no man be licensed to preach the gospel who cannot read sufficiently well to separate the truth from error.

Resolved, 2nd., That licensing men to preach, merely because they ask for license, is unwise and injurious to our church, and that every applicant for license ought to have some field of labor that demands it.

B. FALKNER.

WHEREAS, Knowing that there are many churches of Baptist profession belonging to no Association, which are in reach of this one, which have been without pastors for more than twelve months, and believing as we do, that it would be greatly to their advantage to connect themselves with some Association, that they may aid in supporting Missionaries and helping to build up the waste places in love, therefore:

Resolved, That we recommend to these churches the necessity of at once connecting themselves with some permanently organized Association.

W. H. CREWS, OXFORD, N C.

RESOLUTIONS BY M. F. THORNTON.

WHEREAS, Our Northern friends have manifested very great sympathy for our race, and have contributed so liberally of their means to aid to educate and enlighten our people, therefore be it,

Resolved, That we tender to them our most heartfelt thanks for the many favors which we have received at their hands.

Resolved, That we recognize the Baptist Hymn Book, published by the American Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as superior to any Hymn Book published and recommend it to our churches everywhere

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